REMARKS/ARGUMENT

Claims 55 and 56 have been amended to clarify that the two components (1) and (2) recited in claim 1 of the claimed mixture are present in different regions of the composition (claim 55) and in different layers of a multi-layer tablet (claim 56), as pointed out by the Examiner in paragraph 6, page 3 of the Final Rejection. Since this amendment overcomes the §112 rejection of claims 55 and 56, raises no issue requiring a further search or analysis, and reduces the number of issues for purposes of appeal, entry of the amendment is respectfully solicited.

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